

Appl. No. 09/634,522

REMARKS

Prior to this Amendment, claims 1-22 and 28-53 were pending and under consideration. Claims 23-27 stand withdrawn from consideration. In this Amendment, claims 54-64 have been added and no claims have been amended or cancelled. Thus, claims 1-22 and 28-64 are pending and under consideration and claims 23-27 are withdrawn from consideration.

New claims 54-64 are all dependent claims. Applicant submits that claims 54-64 are supported by the application as originally filed. For example, see the specification at page 8, lines 23-25 and page 9, lines 1-7.

CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, Applicant submits that the patent application is in condition for allowance and requests a Notice of Allowance be issued.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. 02-1818 for any fees associated with the submission of this Amendment.

Respectfully submitted,

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